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Attached is a copy of an undated tabulation prepared by the Staatssekretariat fuer Erfassung und Aufkauf landwirtschaftlicher Erzeugnisse (State Secretariat for the Collection and Purchase of Agricultural Products) in East Berlin, indicating actual or estimated losses in sugar-beet cultivation areas and sugar-beet crops caused by the establishment of restricted areas in the border regions of East Germany, and giving a cultivation plan for 1953, revised on the basis of these losses.

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Comment. The loss of cultivation area and crops appear to be exaggerated.

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Sugar-Beet Cultivation

Districts	Actual or Estimated Losses of Sugar-Beet Cultivation Areas and Sugar-Beet Crop Caused by Establishing Restricted Areas Along the Border	1953 plan estimates on the Basis of the Losses Indicated in Columns 2 and 3		
	In Hectares	In Tons	In Hectares	In Tons
Potsdam	) 5,981	158,657	6,910	158,239
Frankfurt/Oder	)		8,380	201,958
Cottbus	)		1,350	29,160
Schwerin	)		9,594	240,809
Rostock	) 8,059	192,582	23,058	569,533
Neubrandenburg	)		27,948	693,110
Halle	)		50,582	1,396,063
Magdeburg	) 10,678	279,319	52,478	1,448,393
Leipzig	)		17,000	448,800
Dresden	) 8,469	220,359	5,685	150,084
Chemnitz	)		925	23,125
Erfurt)		8,680	237,832
Gera) 2,322	64,336	1,220	30,988
Suhl)			
	35,509	915,253	213,810	5,628,094

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